

THE COLUMBUS-ATHENS SCHWEITZER FELLOWS PROGRAM

Purpose: To facilitate service projects to benefit the Columbus and Athens communities, and simultaneously develop emerging professionals who have the skills to address unmet health-related needs throughout their careers.



“Start early to instill in your students awareness that they are on this earth to help and serve others; that is as important to pass on to them as knowledge.”

—Albert Schweitzer, PhD, MD

Kid’s Club Literacy Program

Aimed at increasing reading skills and promoting the love of literacy as a lifelong endeavor in children grades K-6



Partner Organization

•Clintonville-Beechwald Community Resources Center Kid’s Club Program



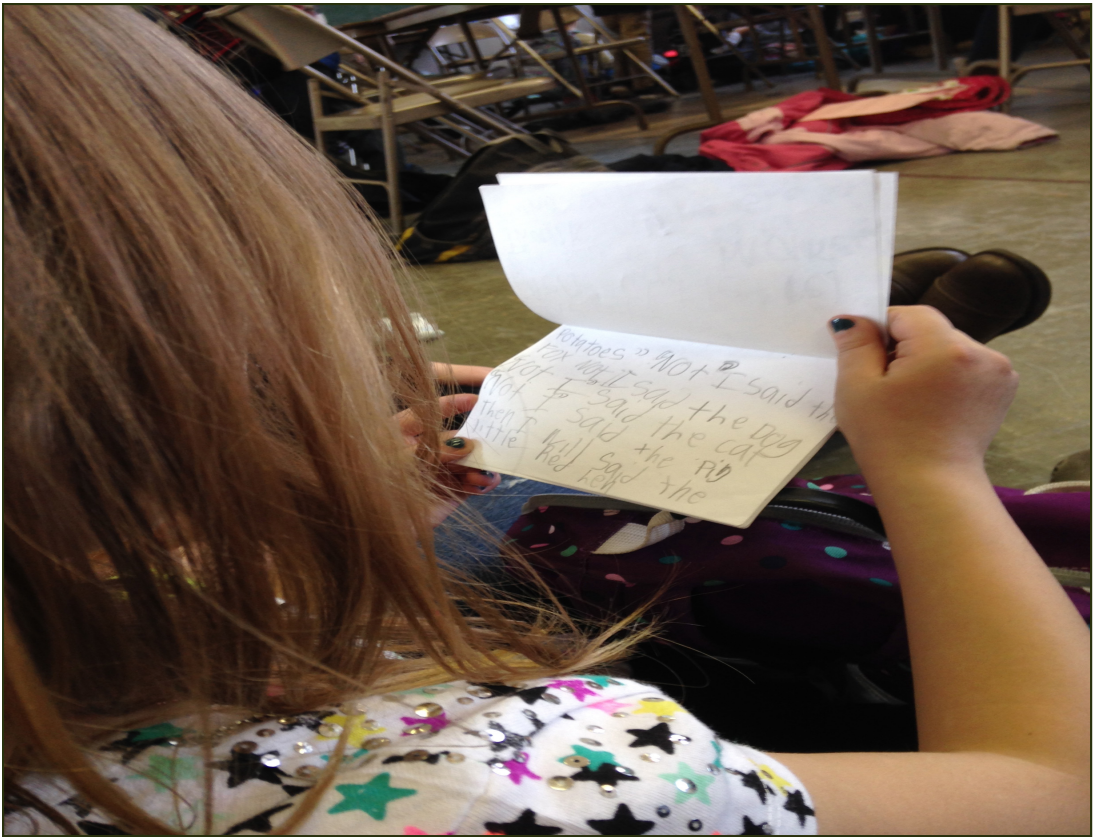
CLINTONVILLE • BEECHWOLD
COMMUNITY RESOURCES CENTER

The CRC recognizes the dignity of all people, fosters community engagement, and provides dependable service and stewardship.



Project Outcomes

- An increased sense of independence while reading aloud in groups
- An increased awareness of grammar and proper sentence structure
- Children learned through hands-on activities that are classroom-transferable
- Children were able to bring home books to keep and read during school breaks



Background Information

According to the most recent and current available data on the Ohio Department of Education’s School Year Report Card, students in Columbus City Schools achieved well below the state average in meeting proficiency levels. In order to increase health-literacy amongst adults, general literacy amongst youth must be improved.

Purpose

To provide fun, interactive literacy programming for children grades K-6, as well as encouraging a love of literacy and reading as a lifelong endeavor.

Project Goals

- Increase reading skills and literacy proficiency to grade-appropriate levels
- Provide hands-on, individualized programming to the youth at the CRC
- Provide age-appropriate program activities including story-time projects, dramatic outlets, scientific experiments and artist endeavors
- Encourage reading over school breaks
- Provide literacy support during homework periods
- Provide books that the children could take home, keep and read over the summer



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